GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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OLYMPIC TORCH
AVSM, BRIG.(RETD.) KAMAKHYA PRASAD SINGH DEO

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have chalked out modalities of receiving the Olympic Torch in the capital of the country for the first time in smooth and orderly manner; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI VIJAY GOEL)

(a) & (b): The Indian Olympic Association (IOA) is primarily responsible for smooth and orderly movement of theOlympic Torch in the country. However, on the request of IOA, Government has requested the concerned Ministries/Departments for extending the required concessions/facilities/services for successful conduct of the event.

Besides, the Government of the NCT of Delhi has also constituted a Task Force to facilitate the Athens 2004 Olympics Torch Relay through Delhi.